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and baggage disinfected. The cargo and baggage was disinfected or passed after inspection. The vessel was only partially disinfected. All persons on board were inspected at the hour of sailing. April 15, the British steamship *Ning Chow*, with 93 in the crew, en route from London to Seattle and Tacoma, was granted a supplemental bill of health after inspection of cargo and personnel. April 16, the British steamship *Indrasamha*, with 64 in the crew, en route from Kobe to New York, was granted a supplemental bill of health after the usual supervision and inspection of cargo. April 17, the British steamship *Shimosa*, with 57 in the crew, en route from New York to Iloilo, was granted a supplemental bill of health.

#### RUSSIA.

*Report from Libau—Status of cholera at St. Petersburg—Typhus fever in Russian cities—Examination of emigrants.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon De Forest reports, May 14:

*Cholera.*—Fifteen cases of cholera, with 7 deaths, occurred at St. Petersburg from May 7 to 14, inclusive.

*Typhus fever.*—From 2 to 4 cases of typhus fever occur at St. Petersburg daily.

During the week ended May 9 there occurred 5 new cases of typhus fever in Libau. The disease is reported to be present in nearly every large city in Russia. Reports of its presence in Moscow, St. Petersburg, Kiew, and Wilna are received.

One thousand four hundred and thirty-six emigrants for steamship *Russia*, which leaves Libau May 18 for New York, have been examined. Of the number examined about 1,100 will sail on the date named.

#### SALVADOR.

*Report from San Salvador—Decrease of smallpox—Vaccination.*

Consul-General Frazier reports, April 27:

There has been a gradual abatement of smallpox in Salvador. The superior board of health of San Salvador reports, under this date: San Salvador, no cases; Santa Ana, 7 convalescent cases; Santiago de la Frontera, 12 patients, no new cases; Ahuachapan, 5 convalescent cases; Canton San Geronimo, department of Metapan, in the recently established hospital, 7 patients. Two deaths occurred before the opening of the hospital.

This statement represents the present status of the disease. Practically the entire population has been vaccinated.

(See Public Health Reports, March 5, 1909, p. 285.)

#### VENEZUELA.

*Report from Caracas—Plague—Plague rats—Service representative appointed for duty in consulate.*

The following is received from the Department of State, under date of May 24:

The American minister, in a telegram dated May 24, reports: "A case of bubonic plague developed at Caracas. Government active."